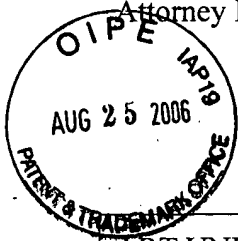


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In response to the Office Action mailed March 22, 2006, please enter this amendment and reconsider this application in view of the remarks provided below. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period be extended by two months. A check sufficient to cover the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). Also enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114. A check in the amount of \$790.00 under 37 CFR 1.17(e) for the Request for Continued Examination is also enclosed.